



## Château Leoville Poyferre

September 23, 2007

Dear Member:

Château Leoville Poyferre is one of the oldest and most famous properties in Bordeaux. At the time of the French Revolution, Léoville was the largest wine estate in the Médoc. Following two successive divisions of the estate, three separate properties were created. In 1826, Hugh Barton purchased a portion which he named LEOVILLE BARTON. In 1840, the remainder of the estate was divided into two: LEOVILLE POYFERRE and LEOVILLE LAS CASES. When the classification of 1855 was drawn up, the three Léoville estates were classified as Second Growths (Deuxième Cru).

In 1920, the CUVELIER family (wine merchants since 1804 in the department of Nord in France), purchased the château from the Lalande Lawton family. Today, the wine merchant business and the Châteaux are owned 100% by the family with three family members active in the business: Anne Cuvelier, her cousin, Didier Cuvelier, and his brother Olivier Cuvelier. One of the gems of the Saint-Julien appellation, during the past decade, Robert Parker has consistently rated Leoville Poyferre among the best wines of the vintage.

On Tuesday, October 30, the Society will hold a vertical tasting of acclaimed recent vintages of Château Leoville Poyferre at The Union League Club. Included are their highly rated wines from the 1996 (93), 1999 (90), 2000 (95), 2001 (90), 2002 (90), 2003 (98), 2004 (93), 2005 (95) vintages and barrel samples of the 2006 vintage (93). The tasting will be led by Anne Cuvelier.

Society member Gregory Hurst visited Anne Cuvelier at Leoville Poyferre during his 2006 trip to Bordeaux and has arranged this tasting. We wish to thank Greg for organizing this wonderful event. Please join us at this special tasting. We are limited to just 60 members and guests, so please make your reservations early.

Sincerely,

Ira Greene  
President

Date: Tuesday, October 30, 2007

Time: Reception: 6:00 PM (featuring Château Le Crock (Saint Estèphe) bought by the Cuvelier family in 1903)

Tasting: 6:30 PM

Location: The Union League Club, 38 East 37<sup>th</sup> Street (just west of Park Ave.)

Contribution: Members \$95, Guests \$115

Dress: Business attire (coat and tie *required* by The Union League Club)

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Please reserve \_\_\_\_ places for the Château Leoville Poyferre event.

Member Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Member contribution @ \$95.00                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

\_\_\_\_\_ Guest contribution @ \$115.00                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

**Only those Members who have paid their dues may make a reservation. Members with dues paid will be given preference up through MONDAY, October 22.** After that date, guests will be accepted in the order in which their reservations were received.

To request a reservation, please go online to [www.wfsny.org](http://www.wfsny.org) and complete the process electronically. You may pay securely with Visa, MasterCard or American Express, or you may mail a check. If you need assistance, please contact [rose@wfsny.org](mailto:rose@wfsny.org)

**Or** if you prefer, you may mail this form with your check to request your reservation. Checks should be mailed to The Wine and Food Society of New York, c/o: 249 Kimball Avenue, Westfield, NJ 07090. If you have any questions, please call Rose at (908) 389-9590. Please use the enclosed envelope and indicate your address and telephone number below *only if paying by check*. **THANK YOU!**

**IF YOU PAY BY CHECK, YOUR CHECK MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE YOUR RESERVATION CAN BE CONFIRMED.**

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